

Sandy Heierbacher@All: Hi, everybody!

Viewer 22@All: is there a link to find the local radio stations that are working on this?

You@All: www.nifi.org for materials

Miles Fidelman@All: Perhaps a silly question, but how can the climate emergency, and a Green New Deal, not be one of the topics?

Keiva Hummel, @ncdd@All: Viewer 22 - Here is a link to America Amplified's Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/Amplified2020>

Judy Flavell@All: <https://www.wvpublic.org/post/america-amplified-election-2020-initiative-announces-partner-networks-including-wvpbovr#stream/0>

Leslie KIng@All: we have hosted one forum and are hosting our next one on March 7 . Our local paper attended.

Viewer 39@All: What if you are a library looking for a moderator?

Viewer 22@All: Thanks. and FYI Common Ground is a fantastic tool to use!

You@All: Viewer 39 - certainly check out the NIF network at nifi.org, or the NCDD network at ncdd.org/directory - we have lots of folks who would be happy to partner with libraries!

Viewer 39@All: What if you are a library looking for a moderator?

Lisa Beutler@All: Do have a process to connect people that in the same region? I am in Sacramento. We could probably do a joint event with the local American Society for Public Administration Chapter

Leslie KIng@All: how do we learn when usa today publishes a report on the forum?

Viewer 22@All: I am in LA and would love to connect to student groups here as well.

You@All: Love the idea of helping people connect locally/regionally. NCDD certainly has some ways to facilitate that (we have regional email lists - ncdd.org/listservs) and I'd be happy to work with NIFI on this, too!

Leslie KIng@All: so we should return post forum surveys to nifi?

Cheryl Graeve@All: I participated in a CGA forum on House Divided - it was very interesting engagement

Viewer 22@All: Sign me up to moderate on the week with students!

You@All: <https://www.nifi.org/en/hidden-common-ground>

You@All: <https://www.nifi.org/en/nifi-materials>

Viewer 35@All: Is anyone on chat from South Bend or Notre Dame?

Sherry Lewis@All: I just completed two forums on Mass Shootings today. It was very informative and empowering.

Leslie KIng@All: I'd be happy to comment

Viewer 22@All: I am happy to moderate any CGA Forum. tlrogers.tryba@gmail.com to connect.

Darla Minnich@All: Hi Leslie. Yes, please send your post-forum questionnaires . You can scan and email to dminnich@nifi.org or send hard copies to me at 100 Common Rd., Dayton, OH 45459. Thank you!

Viewer 69@All: Thanks!

Darla Minnich@All: Hi 35! NIF has a connection in South Bend. Please reach out and I'll help make the connection.

Sherry Lewis@All: How is NCCD different from NIF?

Lori Britt@All: I can talk a little if you would like on adapting NIF guides for college student conversations, particularly policy heavy ones.

Lori Britt@All: sure

Leslie KIng@All: Is the Hidden Common Ground project closing the feedback loop with local forums to help us know about the national coverage on the event?

Viewer 22@All: Kara Dillard also is a great contact with CGA forums in adapting materials and training. She hosts the training forums on CGA.

Viewer 35@All: I was a moderator in the 1990's in State College PA. Is the process still the same?

Leslie KIng@All: Thank you all! Great confab!

You@All: Viewer 35 - some terms may have changed, but as Betty's going over now, it is very much the same

Lori Britt@All: To Viewer 35, yes, virtually the same. The books are not quite as long and often they are produced as a 4-page Issue Advisory. The process of deliberating at least 3 options or approaches is still the structure.

Viewer 35@All: We used to run op eds on all sides of the issue to be discussed for a week or two prior to the sign up date before we met. Was that a local way of soliciting interest in participating in the dialouge

Sherry Lewis@All: In El Paso, we used to publish the questionnaires for people to fill out after they had watched a Forum on television.

You@All: Love this idea, Viewer 35!

Lori Britt@All: The Op-Eds is and is an exceptional idea!

Viewer 35@All: Penn State / State College had one of the highest participation rates for NIF discussions in the 1990's

Sherry Lewis@All: WTG, #35!

Judy Flavell@All: Is there a minimum recommended number of participants for a community forum (at a library, for example)?

Lori Britt@All: No minimum, I have had great conversations with as few as 8 people. I like to work with 1 moderator or facilitator for every 8-10 people.

Sherry Lewis@All: I have had small groups of 5-6 for some topics and 35 for a couple. That's a lot!

Judy Flavell@All: Thanks!

Viewer 35@All: Thank you Lori

Manju Bazzell@All: Thanks for these great suggestions and the above specific information.

Cheryl Graeve@All: Cheers for all the work on this good project and NCDD for sharing it with us!

Viewer 35@All: Thank you Betty, Kara and Darla

Sandy Heierbacher@All: Thanks, everybody. This is a great project!!

Sherry Lewis@All: Thanks from me as well!

Manju Bazzell@All: Yes, thanks NCDD! Great to see you, Sandy. Great job Courtney and NIFI team!

Darla Minnich@All: Thank you for joining us!

Barry Johnson@All: Thanks for making this possible

Keiva Hummel, @ncdd@All: This is so exciting! We were live tweeting during the event and we encourage you to retweet to share more about this project! <https://twitter.com/ncdd>

Dave - MN Office of Collaboration and Dispute Resolution@All: thanks!

You@All: Thanks Everyone! It's been a pleasure :)

Keiva Hummel, @ncdd@All: Thanks everyone for joining us!

Viewer 35@All: This was wonderful. Thank you for keeping America talking everyone. Keep hope.